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In re application of : DECISION ON
Verstraeten : PETITION
Serial No. 10/567,898 :
Filed: October 03, 2006 :
For: LANCE DEVICE WITH RECIPROCATING DRIVE :

This is a decision on the PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 TO WITHDRAW THE FINALITY OF THE OFFICE ACTION mailed March 25, 2009.

On March 25, 2009, a first non-final office action was mailed to the Applicant. Applicant responded to this office action with a response and amendment filed on June 24, 2009. An Advisory Action refusing entry of the amendment of June 24, 2009 was mailed on July 08, 2009. On July 22, 2009, the instant petition under 37 CFR 1.181 was timely filed to formally request the withdrawal of finality of the March 25, 2009 office action.

DECISION

It is clear from the record that the office action of March 25, 2009 was a non-final office action, as noted on the cover sheet of that office action and the non-presence of any final rejection form paragraph in this office action. Hence, the examiner clearly erred in refusing entry of the amendment or June 24, 2009. Since no final rejection is present in this application, the petition for withdrawal of finality is **DISMISSED**.

This application is being forwarded to the examiner for full consideration of the response and amendment submitted on June 24, 2009. An office action on the merits will follow in due course.

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